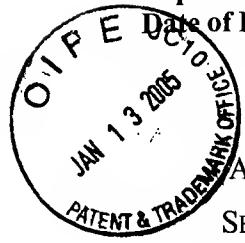


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TRANSMITTAL LETTER

Sir:

Transmitted herewith for filing in the present application are the following documents:

1. Response To Office Action with Restriction/Election Requirement (9 pages);
2. Exhibits 1-3 for Response to Office Action (29 total pages);
2. Petition for Five-Month Extension of Time (1 page)
3. Check Number 2417 for \$1,080.00 to cover the Five-Month Extension; and
4. Return Postcard

If the enclosed papers are considered incomplete, the Mail Room is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned collect at (212) 935-3000, New York, New York.

The Commissioner is authorized to credit any overpayment or charge any deficiencies to Deposit Account No. **50-0311**, Reference No. **21882-502** (Customer Number: **35437**). A duplicate copy of this Transmittal Letter is enclosed.

Respectfully submitted,

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